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re Application of:

Examiner: NYA

JOHN AMICO, ET AL.

Group Art Unit: 3765

Appln. No.: 10/825,216

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Filed: April 16, 2004

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

May 28, 2004

DIGITIZING A PATTERN

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Attn.: Special Program Examiner GAU 3765

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.102 AND CHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner to advance examination of this application pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d) and MPEP 708.02 based on the existence of an infringing device currently being marketed and sold in the United States .

A. INFRINGING DEVICE ON THE MARKET

The undersigned states that there is an infringing device or product actually on the market in the United States.

B. COMPARISON OF CLAIMS TO DEVICE

The undersigned has conducted a rigid comparison of the infringing device or product, and in my opinion, at least several of the claims are unquestionably infringed.

C. PRIOR ART SEARCH

The undersigned has caused to be made a careful and thorough search of the prior art, and that art is cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that examination of the application be advanced in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the appropriate fee for a Petition to Make Special in accordance with 37 CFR 1.17(i) to Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

Should the Commissioner determine that an additional fee is due, he is hereby authorized to charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

RE:

United States Patent Application No. 10/825,216

TITLE:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DIGITIZING A PATTERN

INVENTOR:

AMICO, John and SBERNA, Carmelo

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APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.34

I, TED CHAN, an attorney with Torys LLP, Customer No. 33,721, Principal Attorneys in the above-identified application, do hereby appoint the practitioners associated with Katten Muchin Zavis Rosenman, Customer No. 27,160, as Associate Attorneys in the above-identified application, with the full powers to prosecute same as afforded by 37 C.F.R. 1.34.

EXECUTED this ______ day of May, 2004.

Ted Chan, Reg. No. 46,609